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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Dallas et al.  
Title: RETENTION SYSTEM FOR  
A HAND TOOL  
COMBINATION  
Application No.: 10/715,890  
Filing Date: 11/18/2003  
Examiner: Hamilton, Isaac N.  
Art Unit: 3724

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Transmitted herewith is a Reply and Amendment in the above-identified patent application.

[ X ] Reply and Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.113, 1.116 (11 pages).

[ X ] The fee required for additional claims is calculated below:

	Claims As Amended		Previously Paid For		Extra Claims Present		Rate		Additional Claims Fee
Total Claims:	34	-	34	=	0	x	\$50.00	=	\$0.00
Independent Claims:	4	-	4	=	0	x	\$200.00	=	\$0.00
First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:							+	\$360.00	= \$0.00
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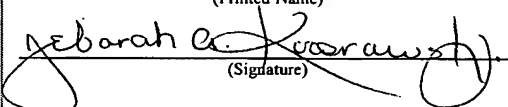
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**REPLY AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.113, 1.116**

This Reply and Amendment is responsive to the final Office Action dated September 20, 2005, concerning the above-identified patent Application.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this document.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this document.